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Commissioner's Corner

By Dr. Tom Kimbrell

Attend the next Communications Connection session scheduled for 9 a.m. May 7 in the ADE Auditorium. You will get a chance to win a designated parking spot for a week!

Welcome

[Rodney McCullum](#) – Scholastic Audit

[Pearlyna Tyous](#) – Technical Support

Best Wishes

Kathy Dunlap – APSCN

Jack Hansen – Education Renewal Zones

Commissioner's Memos

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[Equitable Services to Private School Students](#)

[Teachers-Teachers.com](#)

[Annual Accreditation Report 2013-2014](#)

[Online 2013 AR School Performance Report](#)

[AR Assoc. of Pupil Transportation Conference](#)

[Garland County School Choice](#)

[E-rate Item 21 Attachment and Letter of Agency](#)

[National School Bus Illegal Passing Survey](#)

[2014 Gifted and Talented Workshop](#)

[2014 Arkansas School Bus Mechanic Workshop](#)

[TESS BloomBoard Super User Training](#)

Division Highlights

Learning Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW Page - Digital Learning for Schools • Approved Minutes of the Governor's Advisory Council for Gifted Children • GAP Commission Minutes and Agenda • AP Instructional Planning Report Webinar Set For Aug. 5 • Updated Charter Authorizing Panel Archives • Updated School Improvement Page
HR, Educator Effectiveness & Licensure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 Teaching in Taiwan Application • Taiwan Health Certificate Form • Teaching in Taiwan Program Overview • FAQs for Teaching in Taiwan • NEW Section - TESS for Specialty Areas • NEW Page - TESS Training Materials and Resources for Administrators • NEW Page - TESS Training Materials and Resources for Teachers • Updated Recruitment and Retention Page • Arkansas Public School NBPTS Incentives
Accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Choice Exemptions • Updated ESEA Accountability Status Page • Updated ESEA Reports and AYP Scores Page • Grade Inflation Report 2012-2013 • Performance Tracking for Students From Consolidated Schools • Reward Schools • Schedule of Reward School Presentations • Updated Report Card Page
Legal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Rule Governing PD
Policy & Leg. Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated Commission on the Closing the Achievement Gap Page • Added GAP Agenda and Minutes
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW Video - Teacher Highlights CCSS in the Classroom • NEW Section - AEEN • Three News Releases • Two New Slides • YSA's State Farm Student Achievement Grants